

the apex of the clypeus is not pointed, the nodes of the pedicel are broader and not so closely sculptured, and the insect is not so dark in colour.

From *M. ruginodis*, Nyl., the present species differs in its much darker colour and more robust form, and in the space between the spines being smooth. The head is much more strongly reticulated, the body generally is more coarsely sculptured, and the bristles are stronger, longer, and more numerous.

Described from eight ♂♂ taken by Major R. W. G. Hingston in Tibet, Gautsa, at a height of 13,000 ft., on April 5th, 1924 (Everest Expedition). There are also ten specimens in the British Museum Collection taken at Khamba Jong, Sikkim, 15-30. vii. 03, at a height of 15,000-16,000 ft. (Tibet Expedition, 1903), which agree quite well with the above species with the exception of being not quite so dark.

Type and paratypes in the British Museum Collection.

### 13. *Aphænogaster tibetana*, sp. n.

♂. Black, shining, covered with scattered yellowish-white bristles.

*Head* and *thorax* longitudinally striate and reticulate, but smooth, not shagreened between the raised lines. *Mandibles* longitudinally striate and punctured, masticatory margin armed with nine teeth, the terminal tooth being large, the second and fourth moderate, the third small, and the rest very small; anterior border of *clypeus* emarginate in middle, longitudinally striate at sides, and smooth in middle; *frontal area* and *antennal hollows* smooth. *Epinotal spines* short, sharp, and pointing outwards, space between the spines smooth. *Nodes of pedicel* and *gaster* smooth and shining.

*Long.* 5 mm.

Described from 17 ♂♂ taken by Major R. W. G. Hingston in Tibet, Kampa Dzong, at a height of 14,500 ft., on April 30th, 1924, and 27 ♂♂ taken in Tibet, Tasam Rongshar Valley, at a height of 12,000 ft., on June 20th, 1924.

Type and paratypes in the British Museum Collection.

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#### 14. *Formica exsecta*, Nyl.

22 ♂♂, Tibet, Shekhar, 14,500 ft., 8. vii. 24.

#### 15. *Formica picea*, Nyl.

1 del. ♀, 24 ♂♂, Tibet, Yatung, 10,000 ft., 1-3. iv. 24.